I believe she expects to devote
herself to portraits. Mrs. Beard
and Mrs. Musser were
at circle. Mrs. Musser said
if she did not know me any
other way she should because
of your resemblance to me.
It seems people are resolved
to have us look alike. I am
prepared to have a good
opinion of anyone who
speaks so highly of Mother
as Cousin A. W. did. Jane
has your letter and will
answer soon. Mrs. Beard
said she was sorry to say
that Mr. Roswell Smith was
gone to Europe and she
did not know when he
would return. I spoke
then about a letter to Dr
Holland. She said she
would speak to John. Of
course I told her to say

Tell Aunt
Annie I suppose
she shares in
the letters and
that I hope
she enjoys
hearing your
there.
Have you
enquired about
Rev. Mr
Buchanan
Mrs Beard's
granddaughter
has married.
She spoke
of it today.
Love to
all Mamma.

Wednesday May 4th

Dear Millie

I've been to sewing circle
this afternoon so prepare your
self for a dish of gossip. How
did I come to go? Because it met
at Mrs. Cloughs and I thought
it would not do at all if I did not
run in a little while. The dining
room carpet was up and I had
piles of work on hand, but I left
it all and went over for an hour
and back time enough to get
the carpet down; I mean to over
see the putting down. Joe and
Jack did it. While I think of
it tell Auntie Jane that I sent
the June Hart. to her because
her boy's maiden effort

adorns its pages. I tried to get that note out but it was too late and if any one says any-thing I am going to pretend that we knew all about the kind of trees, but meant to be understood that it would be so much worse if the trees were evergreen. Well now I guess I will go back to the Sewing circle and start again. Mrs. Briet was there and of course University matters were talked of. She said it was announced that Josiah Royce and Anna Head were engaged and said the students said they hoped they would be married during this vacation so that he would be able to attend to his classes next term that he had not this.

She said Will could not stand the drill. She also told that Mary Selfridge and a young friend started East last week on their way to Europe to ~~atte~~ study painting. Mrs. Selfridge had about $1800, left her by her Father, and she gave M. means to go. Mrs. S. took one of the boys on and left him at Andover when she went on for the money. Dr. S. did not at all approve of Mary's going to Europe they say, indeed was very strongly opposed. Does not think she has talent to justify it. I don't know about that but I should think it a very unsafe thing for two young persons to do.

little. By the way I have
put Joe in your room
and shall keep him there
till the boarding episode
is over. I thought you
would prefer that. I send
you by this mail Oakland
paper with Class day
report in. Tell Aunt
Jane I have found her
spectacle case. Joe took
down the chess men last
night for the first time
since she was here and
in emptying out the
men out of the box out
tumbled her case.
I guess Charlie had rather
a bad time with a tooth
he dont say much but
it seems to me from what
he did say that he had;
but he says he is better

to him to do just as he felt like about it; and did not urge it at all. She seemed to feel very sorry about Mr. Smith and anxious to do what she could. They have Mrs. Rankin staying there and I guess she is a great change. A week from Friday Mrs. Bliss, her nurse and three children come for three or four weeks, so I shall be too busy to think during that time. Lizzie Gill and Mattie stay till she comes. What an utter contrast the two girls are, but Mattie is worth two of the other, tho' she is so quiet it takes a little watching to find it out. I told Lizzie she might pay her board by teaching Joe singing, and so she is trying to start him a

once not do anything till he could sell here